

43 faculty endorse Humphrey

This week 43 Drew faculty members signed a statement endorsing Vice President Hubert Humphrey and Senator Edmund Muskie.

Those faculty members who signed the endorsement were: Arnold Boxer, James Boyd Jr., Brack Brown, Robert Bull, Louise Bush, Peter Chapin, Donald Cole, John Copeland, Charles Courtney, Patrick De Cicco, Martyvonne Dehoney, Ruth Domicovich, Robert Friedrichs, David Graybeal, Lee Hall, Lydia Hailpam, Will Herberg, Charles Hogan.

Also signing were: Philip Jensen, Barent Johnson, Don Jones, George Kelsey, J. Perry Leavell, Neal Malicky, James Mills, James Nagle, Gregory Nelson, James O'Kane, John Olom, Joy Phillips, Janet Roach, Robert Rodes, Harold Rohrs, John Rollins, Barbara Salmore, Robert Smith, Fred Starnier, Bard Thompson, Philip Traci, John von der Heide, Roger Westcott, Frank Wolf, and L. Grange Woolley.

The statement read, "We, the undersigned members of the Drew University Faculty, declare our intention of voting for

Vice President Hubert Humphrey and Senator Edmund Muskie on November 5, 1968. We make this public declaration in hopes that others, sharing our sense of urgency, will join in support of the Democratic ticket. We do this for the following reasons:

"(1) Hubert Humphrey's public record and recent statement indicate an energetic, relentless commitment to equal rights and opportunities for all Americans, black or white. Richard Nixon's record, his recent criticisms of the implementation of the 1954 Supreme Court decision, his current campaign strategy, and the

character of some of his prominent political allies give little evidence of a parallel determination to eliminate racism in all its forms.

"(2) Hubert Humphrey's call for a mobilization of the massive resources of this country - public as well as private - to eliminate poverty and to rebuild the central cities evidences his capacity to identify our most urgent domestic needs. Richard Nixon's attacks on high levels of Federal spending, his declared intention of using largely private funds to finance urban renewal, and his vague and diffuse comments about 'black capitalism' reveal a more ambiguous commitment to these tasks.

"(3) Hubert Humphrey's steadfast refusal to join the popular chorus for the 'law and order' contrasts sharply with the Republican calls for stricter law enforcement and repression. Humphrey and Muskie have stressed that an elimination of the injustices which feed disorder must accompany better law enforcement. Nixon's criticism of the Kerner Commission Report for failing squarely to place the blame for urban disorders on those who committed acts of violence is consistent with his overall approach to this problem.

"(4) Hubert Humphrey's selection of Edmund Muskie indicates his keen awareness of the significance of the Vice Presidency, an office which demands the same qualities as the Presi-

dency itself. Nixon's choice of Spiro Agnew over a number of vastly more qualified Republicans reveals a disturbing insensitivity to the importance of that office.

"(5) Hubert Humphrey's increasing divergence from the Johnson policies in Vietnam gives some hope that his administration would seek a rapid peace. While Humphrey's comments in this regard have been more tentative and ambiguous than many of us had hoped, he has at least shown his responsiveness to the widespread desire for a quick end to the war. Nixon, on the other hand, refuses to speak his mind on this most important question before the country. We are uncertain as to the direction his policies would take. Nixon's consistent advocacy of a militant stance in American foreign policy over the last two decades does not encourage us in this respect. His call for delay in ratification of the non-proliferation treaty is characteristic of his overall approach to foreign policy. Therefore, on balance, we believe that Hubert Humphrey is the more likely of the two to make the steps required for an early peace in Vietnam.

"While many of us worked very hard for the nomination of Eugene McCarthy and Robert Kennedy, we nonetheless urge all those who share our concern with the future direction of American domestic and foreign policy to join us in securing a Humphrey-Muskie victory."

New Jersey Commissioner pessimistic on conservation

by Larry Nann

Are people aware of the limitations which we place upon ourselves by expanding our cities and industry? Why are we not concerned about depletion of water and land, even though it will have a very tangible effect on our economy? If this apathetic attitude remains, will there be an industrial and totally urban belt from Maine to Florida?

These are some of the thoughts provoked by the second in a series of science lectures given by Mr. Robert A. Roe last Thursday in honor of the science building dedication. His lecture was entitled "Economics of the New Jersey Environment."

Mr. Roe is Commissioner of the Department of Conservation and Economic Development in New Jersey. His department is completely responsible for the related areas of natural resources, i.e. wildlife, recreation facilities, and navigation, and also of commercial resources such as industry, land use and water control.

As an administrator and as a man with a strong personal feeling for conservation, Mr. Roe emphasized activism in the solu-

tion of present New Jersey problems involving the depletion of resources.

The race for land, for example, is reaching a critical state in New Jersey. Public concern is totally blind to the "make-a-buck" developers and expanding industrialists who ignore the sensible pleas of naturalists in the state to consider the effects which they have on the environment.

Even the extensive open space program, Green Acres, sponsored by the state, is a losing battle. New Jersey population is the highest in the nation per area - 960 people per square mile. The present total population of 700,000 is due for a rise to 1.2 million by the year 1970, if conditions remain the same. As it is, 30-35 thousand acres of land are used up every year, with only a very small amount being set aside to help stabilize natural resources.

Mr. Roe pointed out that industrial planning programs such as "Blue Acres" and the open space program of "Green Acres" are futile without the support of the public. Politicians are quick to get on the bandwagon about "pre-

servation of nature" and all that goodness, but ask one of those men individually to set portions of his own community apart for such purposes, and he'll cringe from the "lower tax revenues" and "useless wasteland."

Another major problem in New Jersey is a chronic water shortage. This problem was well understood two and four years ago when summer drought and the following floods created havoc over many parts of the state. The low water level in our reservoirs barely made it through these years, and then only because drastic measures were taken.

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U.C. focus for election watch

Election night will be a 7-4 vigil in the University Center this year, as the Political Science department turns it into a center for news coverage.

Televisions will be located throughout the building to allow all students interested to watch the returns come in.

Blackboards with up-to-the-minute results will also be maintained, primarily in room 107, the center for the evening. Races listed will include presidential, senatorial, congressional, gubernatorial, and local. They will

be watched by results off the AP wire.

The University Community is invited to attend. Local candidates have been invited to drop in. And Drew Professors will analyze results as they come in that evening.

Radio station WERD will do the communication and electrical work for a network of New Jersey stations. The tentative plan is that WERD will broadcast ten to fifteen minutes of analysis and commentary each hour, and these stations will pick it up from Drew.

Station Manager Richard Katz will announce final plans when they have been completed. He stated that he believes there are now eight stations agreed to join

the network, with a possibility of more.

Drew-Eds will be serving a buffet that night, and chairman Chris Strickland has said she welcomes all workers. Circle K will assist in the setup, and Dick Weir has also said he is receptive to volunteers.

Other students are still needed to relay results through the switchboard. Pat Wilson is in charge of this angle. Marlene Mueller will head a committee showing a surprise exhibit every hour.

Students wishing to serve on discussion panels or moderate discussions should contact Dr. Julius Mastro.

The Election Night Watch will begin at 7 p.m. and end at 4 a.m.



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